

Dear Families,

I hope you had an enjoyable Easter break. Welcome back to the summer term at All Saints Thurlestone! We are so excited for all the wonderful activities planned for this term.

This term, our children will have the opportunity to enjoy our lovely outside space, participate in the Year 4 residential trip, showcase their athletic skills at sports day, and embark on exciting summer term trips as they continue to shine as learners.

We are thrilled to share that the Friends of Thurlestone School are working hard to raise funds for new play equipment for the school field. With their dedication and your support, we hope to provide our children with even more opportunities for fun and play. We would be very grateful if you could take five minutes to fill in the survey below to support our bid for Lottery Funding.

https://forms.office.com/e/Fngkigbbaf

Please see below for Key Summer Term Dates.

\* Reminders

As the weather (hopefully) gets warmer, please remember to send your child to school with a water bottle, sunscreen, and a sun hat. Let's keep our little ones safe and happy in the sun!

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to a fantastic summer term ahead!

Warm regards, Miss Coombe

### Class Structure 2024-2025

At this time of year our school leadership team begin the process of considering our class structure for the next school year including how our mixed age classes will best be set up. To achieve the best possible structure, leaders also consult with other schools locally and across our Trust. If any families would like further information on this process or have any queries, please contact the school office and a member of the Senior Leadership Team will be happy to meet with you. Our staffing structure for 2024-2025 will be finalised in the second half of the Summer Term. Although we are not anticipating many changes to the current structure, teachers' resignations can be offered up to 3.6.24 meaning structures cannot be finalised before this date.

Some important information for next week-

- PE for all classes every Friday (children may come to school in PE kit and stay in It all day) Please can you ensure that they are coming to school in their P.E kit and not casual clothes from home. We have noticed that standards have slipped with this recently.
- Forest and Beach sessions will resume next week, and this half term Nursery will be taking part in the morning session and Butter Cove will be taking part in the afternoon session.

### Summer Term Dates

Date	Event			
23.4.24	Dingy Sailing in Salcombe			
30.4.24,				
7.5.24				
14.5.24				
6.5.24	May Bank Holiday			
13.5.24 - 16.5.24	Year 6 SATs Week			
17.5.24	Year 6 SATs treat to Woodlands (TBC)			
17.5.24	Butter Cove Bikeability /			
	Years 1 and 2 Devon County Show			
24.5.24	Last Day of Summer 1 Half Term			
27.5.24 - 31.5.24	Half Term Holiday			
3.6.24	Staff Training Day / Non Pupil Day			
4.6.24	First Day of Summer 2 Half Term			
6.6.24	Year Six Families KCC Meeting in School 3.30pm			
24.6.24 - 25.6.24	Year 4 Residential			
3.7.24	KCC Transition Day for Year 6			
4.7.24	Sports Day			
12.7.24	Summer Fair (TBC)			
16.7.24	Back up Sports Day date			
18.7.24	Whole School Welly Walk			
19.7.24	Leavers' Service All Saints Church 2.30pm			
24.7.24	Last Day of Summer Term			

# All Saints Thurlestone Academy Weekly Bulletin

Welcome to our weekly bulletin. Below you will find lots of useful information and lovely news from your child's classroom.



### Steeple Cove Nursery

This week Steeple Cove have been focusing on ... Spring has sprung

This week to bring the sunshine into the class the children have been making handprint sunshine's. The children created handprints and then cut them out with support to create their final piece. It really does brighten the classroom.

As we have finally had some sunny weather the children have been outside enjoying the activities, they have blown bubbles, had a tea party, been busy in the mud kitchen restaurant and have even created their own cars to race.

This week Steeple Cove enjoyed their second Forest school session. The children used a saw to cut slices off a log to create a medal, helped build a wild den and enjoyed a few team games. The children can't wait for next week!



Star of the week-

### William

William is our wonderful star this week for making amazing amount of progress with his independence and William has been making leaps and bounds in his phonics work.

Well, Done William!



## Yarmer Reception / Year One

The children have had a happy first week of the summer term. The Reception children have enjoyed listening to the traditional tale of 'The Gingerbread Man'. They have created their own story maps and have practised re-telling the story orally. The oral rehearsal will be built upon over the next few weeks as they look more closely at characters and settings before they write their own version of the story. Within their maths, both Reception and Year One have been exploring counting in 2s 5s and 10s. The Year Ones are very proficient at counting forwards and have been demonstrating counting backwards in 2s, 5s and 10s too.

### Home Learning

Reception -

- · Keyring and reading
- Letter formation practice worksheet 'v' 'vulture'
- Maths Making 7 worksheet

Year 1 -

- Maths counting in 2s and 5s worksheet
- Reading

Reading in Yarmer: Reading is key to everything your little one will do in school and we want every child to be confident readers with a love of books. Your support with reading at home is key to this. Your child will bring home their reading record along with their RWInc books. It is really important that they read their book at least three times a week with a grown up. Please make a note of any comments in their reading record and we will follow them up in class.

Please note, Reception children will not be receiving a reading book until their newly taught phonic knowledge in fully embedded. Instead, they will be choosing library books for you to share with them. We will endeavour to visit the library each Friday.

RWInc reading books due in: Thursday Library reading books due in: Thursday

New reading books: Friday

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Matthew

Matthew has started the summer term with such enthusiasm and determination. He has worked incredibly hard within his phonics and has blown us away with his counting in 2s and 10s in maths. He has also been unbelievably kind and helpful at ensuring that the outdoor area neat and tidy. Thank you Matthew.



Attendance



# Leas Foot Year One / Two

It has been wonderful to welcome the children back to school with the sunshine! We have enjoyed hearing about each other's Easter holiday, and we have all thrown ourselves straight back into our learning! As Scientists, we have spent time showing what we already know about plants before generating our own questions about plants. The children's questions will then navigate our science learning and enquiry this term. I was so impressed with the children's questions and their excitement to know more. Here are some examples...

How do seeds form? (Rowan) What if we put lemonade in the plant instead of water? (Olly.V) What happens if we plant a seed in food colouring? (Rosie) How do seeds sprout their colours? Vivienne. So, we are really looking forward to sharing the outcomes of our Science learning as we progress through the term. Have a lovely weekend ③

### Home Learning

Year 1 - Counting in 2s and 5s worksheet. Practise reading the sounds on your keyring. Please return this daily. New sounds will be added each Friday.

Year 2 – Handwriting worksheet and a Maths task based on place value which reflects our learning in class this week.

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RWInc reading books due in: Thursday Library reading books due in: Thursday

Home learning due in: Thursday



### Star of the Week

Charlotte Dynes

Charlotte has exuded resilience and determination to do her best this week. She has shone in her learning to ensure she produces her best work. Well done Charlotte, what a star!



Attendance



## Sedgewell Cove Three / Four

Before half term we had a great time making the torches that we had designed. We worked in groups and had to create a working

electrical circuit encasing it to torch.







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This week we have been set a very exciting task by FTS and Miss Coombe to design new play equipment for the playground. We have been designing these in small groups and individually. There are some very exciting looking designs!

As Geographers this week we started our new topic on Egypt. We had to use the world map to find where Egypt was. We then used a map of Africa to find the countries that bordered Egypt and the seas.

As writers, year 4 have started their new topic on writing a story to entertain which is based on the Firework Makers Daughter. We have been creating some vocabulary this week to describe fireworks that we can use to support us in our further writing.

### Home Learning

Home learning this year will consist of reading, spellings, maths, times tables and curriculum themed projects.

### Reading

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### Home Learning

For home learning this week, I would like you to complete a soundcheck on times tables rockstars and complete the Egyptian fact file.

Spellings

Each week I will be setting the children spellings for them to learn. These will either be set from the Year 3/4 or Year 5/6 spelling lists. The children will be tested on these spellings every Friday.

### Star of the Week



James

For such hard work this week and having such a good work ethic. He has come in every morning to complete lots of maths and is so proud of himself! Well done James, what an amazing first week back



### Attendance

Our attendance target is 98% Last week's attendance was 91% Let's try and improve next week!

# Butter Cove Four / Five

### This Week

Butter Cove have had a great return to school this week and have been busy with lots of learning. As writers we have begun our adventure story unit based on 'The Firework-Maker's Daughter'. We are all very much looking forward to seeing how creatively we can write over the coming weeks.

As Geographers we have begun learning about Egypt, where it is and what features it has as a country. Over the summer term we are very excited to learn much more about the country and also our linked work in History about life in Ancient Egypt.

We thoroughly enjoyed our Forest School session this week, and whilst we are a hardy class, it was lovely to have a dry afternoon with some sunshine — long may that continue! We were all very industrious building dens, weaving, sawing and drilling wood and generally enjoying the natural environment!









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### Home Learning

For home learning this week, I would like the children to do some research about Egypt to help them complete the fact file activity.

Spellings

The children will have a sheet of look, cover, write, check spellings to complete ready for a test on Friday 26th April.

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Isabelle has been really confident this week when offering some answers, particularly when adding some fractions and when retrieving knowledge from last term about mountains. Well done Isabelle!



Attendance

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# Bantham Five / Six

### This week

This week we have had a fantastic week in Bantham class. The children have come back ready and raring to go!

Year 6 have been working exceptionally hard focusing on lots of different SPAG skills ready for their SATS in the next few weeks. Please help to ensure that all children are in everyday so that no learning time is missed!

In maths this week, Year 5 have been finding equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages. With this, they have been able to order and compare all three. Year 6 have been looking at finding the perimeter and areas of shapes. This has included finding the area of triangles.

As geographers, we have started to explore our new topic 'Egypt'. This week we used atlases to find and locate it on a map. We discovered that Egypt had four land borders including Israel. We also looked at an ariel view of Egypt and thought about how it was similar/different to the UK.

### Home Learning

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### Home Learning

For home learning this week, Year 6 have been set a maths revision reasoning paper to complete. Year 5 I have set a reading comprehension challenge.

### Spellings

Each week I will be setting the children 10 spellings for them to learn. These will come from the statutory Year 5/6 spelling lists. The children will be tested on these spellings every <u>Friday</u>.



### Star of the Week

### Ollie

Ollie has come back from the holidays with a fantastic attitude towards his learning. He has been working super hard in his small group sessions as well as in class. Keep up the hard work!



### Attendance

Our attendance target is 98% Last week's attendance was 95% Lets try and improve next week!